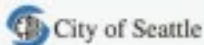


Get Involved  
in Your East Sector  
Neighborhood

2000

# Neighborhood Plan Implementation



April 2001

Dear Community Member:

In 1999, the City Council finished the approval process for 38 neighborhood plans created by nearly 20,000 citizens. The plans identify actions needed to ensure that each neighborhood will continue to thrive and improve as Seattle grows over the next 20 years in ways that meet our commitments under the State's Growth Management Act. We are happy to report that the process of making these plans a reality is well underway.

1. The community is leading much of the activity with the help of the City's Neighborhood Matching Fund. The Fund has been tripled to \$4.5 million over the past three years. Matching the City's contribution with donated cash and volunteer labor, the community is now completing about 250 neighborhood improvement projects each year.
2. Seattle's voters have committed major funding to carry out key portions of the plans through three ballot measures. A 1998 bond measure is resulting in 27 new, expanded, or renovated branch libraries and a new Downtown library; a 1999 levy will develop 11 new or expanded community centers; and last November's levy will produce over 100 park projects throughout Seattle.
3. Most of the work, though, will result from the City's new way of doing business: a decentralization to organize the work of City government around neighborhood priorities as defined by the neighborhoods themselves. Seattle has been divided into six sectors as shown on the map to the right. Decentralization makes it easier for departments to work together and with the community.

These things combined are converting neighborhood plans into real neighborhood improvements. Action on more than 1,000 plan recommendations is already underway or completed: new public facilities, parks, and community gardens; street repair; public safety and traffic improvements; design guidelines; art projects; and much more.

While this report focuses on what's being done to fulfill the neighborhood plans in your sector, other kinds of improvements are also occurring in your sector and throughout Seattle. The report lists community and City contact people for key projects in the hope that you will want to join in making your neighborhood the best possible place to live, work, and play.

Sincerely,

Paul Schell  
Mayor of Seattle

Richard Conlin, Seattle City Council  
Neighborhoods, Sustainability and  
Community Development Committee Chair

## East

- First Hill
- Capitol Hill
- Pike/Pine
- Central Area
- 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 23<sup>rd</sup> & Jackson
- 23<sup>rd</sup> & Union
- Madison/Miller



Central Gateway  
Pedestrian Improvements

East Sector

# Projects Completed

## Transportation

1. **Jackson Street Pedestrian Improvements** — Curb bulbs, crosswalks, bike lanes, and pedestrian lighting were constructed in the vicinity of 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South & South Jackson Street in 2000.
2. **Central Gateway Pedestrian Improvements** — Pedestrian crossings were redesigned and landscaping and pedestrian lighting were installed at 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Washington Street, near Boren Avenue.
3. **12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sidewalks** — Sidewalk improvements consistent with the community's street design were constructed in 2000, adjacent to and across the street from the new Seattle University Law School.
4. **Terry/Hubble Place Pedestrian Path** — Seattle City Light and SeaTran completed lighting installation and pathway repairs at Terry/Hubble Place in 2000, using Early Implementation Fund dollars.

## Public Safety

5. **23<sup>rd</sup> & Union Public Safety** — The 23<sup>rd</sup> & Union Crime Prevention Task Force successfully implemented a community and multi-agency action plan to reverse an increase in crime in that neighborhood.
6. **Yesler Terrace Stairway Improvements** — Through a multi-departmental effort, extensive safety improvements were made to the Yesler Terrace stairway in late summer 2000.
7. **First Hill Public Safety** — The Therapeutic Health Services/First Hill Neighborhood Committee was established in 2000 and meets regularly to support the reduction of the clinic's impacts on the surrounding community.

## Parks, Arts, and Culture

8. **Yesler Terrace Playfield** — The First Hill Stewardship Committee and Seattle Parks and Recreation added dugout roofs, soccer goals, and equipment to the Yesler Terrace Playfield in time for the 2000 sports season.
9. **Judkins Playfield** — Seattle Parks and Recreation completed drainage and field surface improvements at Judkins Playfield in 2000; the field will reopen in 2001.
10. **Pike/Pine Neighborhood Kiosks** — Two prototype kiosks, commissioned to include contextual art features and meant to provide space for community news, have been installed at 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Pike Street, and on Pine Street between Bellevue and Melrose Avenue East.

## Housing

11. **Main Street Project** — The Main Street mixed-use condominium project was completed by the Central Area Development Association, providing 57 housing units, over 3,750 sq. ft. of ground-floor commercial space, and both residential and business space ownership opportunities.



*Jackson Street Pedestrian Improvements*

12. **Seneca I Project** — The Seneca I mixed-use project was completed in 2000. Built on a 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue parcel previously owned by the City, the project is consistent with the neighborhood plan's vision for mixed-use, neighborhood commercial development.

## Community Outreach

13. **The Central Area Community News Web site** ([www.eastunion.org](http://www.eastunion.org)) was constructed and launched in 2000.



*Judkins Playfield*

# Projects in Progress

## Community Design

1. **Lincoln Reservoir Park/Olive Street Corridor Improvements** — Shelter house replacement and other corridor improvement planning and designs are being finalized; construction is scheduled to begin in 2001.
2. **Capitol Hill Lighting** — Final touches are being put on the Capitol Hill Lighting Plan. Seattle Central Community College will install the first examples of new lights adjacent to the campus in 2001.
3. **Roy Street Pedestrian Improvement Plan** — Capitol Hill's Roy Street Plan Project will identify community priorities for pedestrian improvements between Belmont Avenue East and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue; the plan will be completed in 2001.
4. **15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street Design** — The 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Street Design Project has created a blueprint for street improvements along this business and residential corridor of Capitol Hill; work is in progress and the plan will be completed in spring 2001.
5. **Pratt Park Improvements** — The community is involved in designing improvements for Central Area's Pratt Park.
6. **Neighborhood Action Team Seattle (NATS)** — NATS kicked off a project in the Broadway business district in January 2001 that involves community members, the City, and County working together to address the area's health and safety needs, especially of youth.
7. **Terry/Hubble Place Stairway** — The First Hill neighborhood plan stewardship committee is leading a project to redesign the Terry/Hubble Place stairway.
8. **First Hill Park** — First Hill Park will be upgraded and planning for additional park improvements will begin in 2001.

## Libraries for All

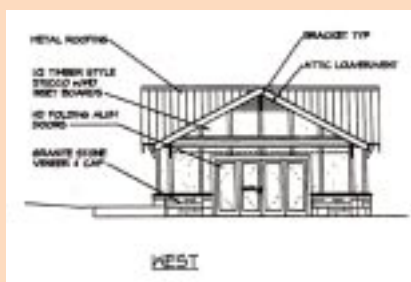
9. **Henry Branch Library** — Planning and design for replacement of Capitol Hill's Henry Library is well underway. The new building, on the same site, is scheduled for completion in 2002.

## Transportation

10. **Union Street Improvements** — The Union Street Improvement Plan is being finalized; the first phase of construction will take place in 2001.
11. **East Madison Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and East Olive Street Pedestrian Improvements** — The final design for pedestrian improvements, including a community-commissioned art element, is nearing completion; construction will take place in 2001.
12. **12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Meets Pike/Pine (at East Madison)** — A planning project to design pedestrian improvements for the 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Madison Street area is underway.
13. **8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sidewalks** — Sidewalk repairs for 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the First Hill Urban Village will be completed in 2001.
14. **East Pine Street Sidewalk Repairs** — Repairs between Minor and Belmont Avenue East on East Pine Street will be completed in early 2001.

## Public Safety

15. **23<sup>rd</sup> & Union Community Visioning** — An urban design study will be completed in spring or summer 2001.



Lincoln Reservoir Park Shelter House Project

16. **23<sup>rd</sup> & Union Human Services** — The 23<sup>rd</sup> & Union Human Services Committee was formed and is in the process of developing its scope, activities, and strategies.

## Arts and Culture

17. **Central Neighborhood Association** — The Central Neighborhood Association is planning a project to restore the James Washington Fountain located in the Midtown Commons Center.



Union Street Improvements

## Housing

18. **Welch-King Street Project** — Design of the Welch-King Street Project is complete. Construction will begin in spring 2001, under the direction of the Central Area Development Association. Built on the old Welch's Hardware site at 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue & Jackson Street, the project will include 100 rental units plus 60,000 sq. ft. of commercial space.
19. **15<sup>th</sup> & Harrison Project** — Nineteen units of affordable housing and 4,400 sq. ft. of ground-floor commercial space are under construction, under the direction of the Capital Hill Housing Improvement Program.

## Community Centers

20. **Yesler Community Center** — Although the replacement of the existing Yesler Community Center was funded in the 1999 Community Centers and Seattle Center Levy, this project is not expected to be completed until 2004. Seattle Parks and Recreation has begun discussions with Seattle Housing Authority. Increased public involvement in planning for the new community center will occur in 2001 and 2002.

## Community Outreach

21. **First Hill Web Site** — The First Hill Stewardship Committee is designing a community Web site that will be launched in 2001.

# If you want to get involved in an East Sector project



12th Avenue Sidewalk  
Improvements

## Future Projects

### Pro Parks Levy Projects

1. Terry Avenue & Cherry Street — The City will work to acquire and develop the vacant property at Terry Avenue & Cherry Street as a new park in the dense employment center and growing residential community of the First Hill Urban Village.
2. Lincoln Reservoir Park — The community has developed a master plan for Lincoln Reservoir Park, which will be constructed on top of a replacement underground water reservoir on Capitol Hill.
3. 11<sup>th</sup> & Boren — The City and community will collaborate to develop unimproved City-owned property at 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Boren Street as a new park in this fast growing area.
4. Boren-Pike/Pine Park — The Pike/Pine neighborhood will see improved aesthetics and functionality at Boren-Pike/Pine (Four Columns) Park, a precious urban neighborhood open space.

## Community Contacts

## Phone Number

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Terry/Hubble Path, John Dolan .....	516-3821
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Seattle Parks and Recreation/Yesler Terrace Community Center, Pat Elder .....	684-4561
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SeaTran/Union Street Improvements, Tony Mazzella .....	684-0811
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